

# 2021 WZ OW Championships: Entry Instructions

At this time, both Hy-Tek's Team Manager and TeamUnify do not have a meet entry system specifically designed for Open Water swimming events. Running races that have multiple pool qualifications, across several distances and age groups, cannot be directly done. It can be done with small adjustments to the initial entry file, but will appear confusing or even incorrect at first glance.

**Please read through these specific entry instructions prior to submitting your entry file.**

## QUALIFYING TIMES

TeamUnify will not automatically generate entry times for the events you are selecting. Please hand enter the athletes with their fastest qualifying time for each event. This will help with our athlete recon and generating psych sheets. Thank you!

## EVENT NUMBERS EXPLAINED

To accommodate the numerous pool races that are used to qualify for the *Western Zone Open Water Championships*, we created a set of events for each pool distance. After the entry deadline closes, we will combine all the events into one race, as stated in the meet form.

The event numbers are coordinated as follows:

- Possible event selection breakdown:
  - **#1 – Men's 13-O 5K:** #1, 401, 801
  - **#2 – Women's 13-O 5K:** #2, 402, 802
  - **#3 – Boy's 11-16 2.5K:**
    - 11-12yo: #203, 403
    - 13-16yo: #3, 403, 803
  - **#4 – Girl's 11-16 2.5K:**
    - 11-12yo: #204, 404
    - 13-16yo: #4, 404, 804
  - **#5 – Boy's 9-12 1.25K**
    - 9-10yo: #205
    - 11-12yo: #205, 405
  - **#6 – Girl's 9-12 1.25K**
    - 9-10yo: #206
    - 11-12yo: #206, 406
- Events #1-4
  - Use to enter 13 & older athletes in the 2.5K or 5K races
  - For all qualifiers who meet the time standards in either the 1500 LCM or 1650 SCY Free
- Events #203-206
  - Use to enter 9–12-year-old athletes in the 1.25K or 2.5K races
  - For all qualifiers who meet the time standards in either the 200 LCM or 200 SCY Free
- Events #401-406
  - Use to enter 11 & older athletes in the 1.25K, 2.5K or 5K races
  - For all qualifiers who meet the time standards in either the 400 LCM or 500 SCY Free
- Events #801-804
  - Use to enter 13 & older athletes in the 2.5K or 5K races
  - For all qualifiers who meet the time standards in either the 800 LCM or 1000 SCY Free

**Each athlete should only be entered in ONE race number, not every qualifying standard they meet.**

For example: a 15yo boy entering the 13-O 5K, and has met the time standards in the 400m, 800m and 1650y, will only enter event #1. He does NOT also need to be entered in #401 & #801.

**\*\*Athletes are only allowed to compete in ONE race.**

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## AGE GROUP CHANGES

You will notice on TeamUnify some of the age groups listed are slightly different than in the Meet Form. Again, this change was made to accommodate the multiple age groups and distances used to qualify for the races. The age groups and events listed in the Meet Form will be used.

Note the following changes so correctly enter your athlete:

- Event #203 & 204
  - Displays 16 & under. Will be raced as 11-16
  - There are NOT qualifying times for 13 & older athletes in the 200s, this is only for 11–12-year-olds to enter to swim the 11-16 2.5K race
- Event #403 & 404
  - Displays 11 & over. Will be raced as 11-16
  - The qualifying times for the 11-16 2.5K are the same in the 400m/500y for both the 11-12 and 13-16 age group
- Event #405 & 406
  - Displays 12 & under. Will be raced as 9-12
  - There are NOT qualifying times for 9–10-year-old athletes in the 400m/500y, this is only for 11–12-year-olds to enter to swim the 9-12 1.25K race
- Event #803 & 804
  - Displays 10-16. Will be raced as 11-16
  - There are NOT qualifying times for 11–12-year-old athletes in the 800m/1000y, this is only for 13-16-year-olds to enter to swim the 11-16 2.5K race



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## RELEVANT SECTIONS FROM THE MEET FORM:

**ENTRY PROCEDURE** Race entry file will be available for download from the Sandpipers Event Page. **Entries will be due no later than Wednesday, September 8, 2021.** Email entry files to Michael Kinross ([coachmichael28@gmail.com](mailto:coachmichael28@gmail.com)).

**QUALIFYING STANDARDS & AGE DIVISIONS** The Las Vegas OW Invite will have the following age groups for each race:  
 --5K Races: 13 and Older as of December 31, 2021  
 --2.5K Races: 11-16 as of December 31, 2021  
 --1.25K Races: 9-12 as of December 31, 2021

WESTERN ZONE OPEN WATER QUALIFYING STANDARDS							
		1.25K		2.5K		5K	
		Girls	Boys	Girls	Boys	Women	Men
9-10	200 LCM	3:45.79	3:33.49	--	--	--	--
	200 SCY	3:18.99	3:06.69	--	--	--	--
11-12	200 LCM	3:02.29	2:57.49	2:54.29	2:44.09	--	--
	200 SCY	2:40.39	2:34.59	2:32.09	2:22.99	--	--
	400 LCM	6:23.89	6:15.49	6:06.79	5:49.09	--	--
	500 SCY	7:08.79	6:57.29	6:47.79	6:26.59	--	--
13-O	400 LCM	--	--	6:06.79	5:49.09	5:07.29	4:46.09
	500 SCY	--	--	6:47.79	6:26.59	5:43.39	5:17.69
	800 LCM	--	--	12:35.99	12:05.89	10:35.39	10:00.09
	1000 SCY	--	--	14:01.99	13:21.19	11:50.79	11:02.59
	1500 LCM	--	--	24:06.39	23:06.49	20:20.49	18:59.09
	1650 SCY	--	--	23:23.49	22:18.89	19:47.29	18:30.39

\*SCS-Desert Committee Teams may enter athletes slower than the qualifying times, space permitting.

**JR. NATIONAL QUALIFYING CRITERIA** The 2021 WZ OW Championship will serve as a qualifying event for the 2022 USA Swimming Open Water Junior National Championships. In addition to the criteria below, pool qualification time standards can be found here: [www.usaswimming.org/Home/times/timestandards](http://www.usaswimming.org/Home/times/timestandards).

**7.5K Qualification:** Top 6 age eligible athletes from the 2021 USA Swimming 5k Open Water Zone Championship. The athlete is considered an age eligible athlete for qualification if they are 16 or 17 as of 12/31/2022.

**5K Qualification:** Top 6 age eligible athletes from the 2021 USA Swimming 5k Open Water Zone Championship. The athlete is considered an age eligible athlete for qualification if they are 15 and under as of 12/31/2022.